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INFORMATION NOTE

***“Sharing responsibility in plant protection today and
tomorrow for sustainable development and an
ecological-friendly future together”***

I. VENUE AND DATES

1. At the kind invitation of the IPPC Secretariate, the 37th session of the TC-RPPO will be convened in Bangkok, Thailand, from 23 to 26 September 2025. The Session will be conducted as an ‘in-person’ event.
2. The formal TC-RPPO Session will commence on Tuesday, 23 September 2025, at 09:00 hours and the session is scheduled to close in the afternoon of Friday, 26 September 2024. The China Government will host a Welcome Dinner on Tuesday, 23 September from 19:00 to 21:00 hours at the The Sukosol Hotel.
3. The Commission session will be held at the following venue:
The Sukosol Hotel
477 Thanon Si Ayutthaya
Thanon Phaya Thai, Ratchathewi
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II. ENROLMENT AND INFORMATION

4. On site registration will take place at the Sukosol Hotel on Tuesday, 23 September 2025, from 9:00 to 17:00 hours. Late on-site registration will be possible at the same location on Tuesday and Wednesday, 23-26 September 2025, from 08:00 to 09:00 hours.

IV. GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE

5. Bangkok is the capital city of Thailand, located in the central part of the country. It is situated along the banks of the Chao Phraya River on a low-lying, flat plain that extends to the Gulf of Thailand in the south. Bangkok is a city of vibrant contrasts, known for its ornate temples, bustling street markets, canals, and modern skyline. The city is rich in cultural landmarks and historic architecture, while also serving as a major hub for business and tourism in Southeast Asia. It lies at the heart of Thailand's most fertile and productive agricultural region.

6. In Bangkok, the weather in September is typically hot and humid, with frequent rainfall. Daytime temperatures usually reach around 32°C, while evenings remain warm at about 25°C. Rainfall is quite common during this month due to the monsoon season, though showers are often short and intense, with sunny intervals in between.

V. CURRENCY

7. The Thai Baht (THB) is the official currency of Thailand. The exchange rate is approximately USD 1.00 = THB 36.50 (please note that rates may vary).

8. Banknotes currently in circulation in Thailand are in denominations of 20, 50, 100, 500, and 1,000 Baht, along with coins of 25 and 50 Satang (0.25 and 0.50 Baht), and 1, 2, 5, and 10 Baht. Major credit cards are widely accepted in urban areas and tourist destinations. Mobile payment platforms such as PromptPay, TrueMoney Wallet, and QR code payments are also commonly used, especially in cities and retail establishments. However, cash remains widely accepted and is still used for many day-to-day transactions, especially in smaller shops and rural areas.

VI. FORMALITIES FOR ENTRY INTO THAILAND

9. Passports should be valid for at least six months from the date of entry into Thailand and remain valid through the time of planned departure.

10. To facilitate the smooth entry of participants into Thailand, it is important that they follow the appropriate visa application procedures. Participants are kindly advised to contact the nearest Royal Thai Embassy or Consulate-General to obtain the most current information regarding visa requirements and the necessary supporting documents for their application.

VII. ARRIVAL DETAILS AND TRANSPORTATION

11. Most APPPC delegates traveling to Thailand will arrive at Suvarnabhumi International Airport in Bangkok. The most convenient transportation option to reach the city center is via the Airport Rail Link.

12. The Airport Rail Link provides a direct connection from Suvarnabhumi Airport to central Bangkok, with trains departing every 10–15 minutes. The journey takes approximately 30 minutes and costs around 45 THB. Delegates can get off at Phaya Thai Station, which is within walking distance to the recommended hotel in the city center.

VIII. ACCOMMODATION

13. Delegates are invited to stay at the conference venue, the Sukosol Hotel, for convenience. A special room rate of approximately USD 37.55 per night. To reserve a room at the Sukosol Hotel, please fill out the reservation form provided by IPPC Secretary and submit it with a copy to Posatorn.boonphun@fao.org

IX. WELCOME DINNER

14. The APPPC and IPPC will host a Welcome Dinner on Tuesday 23 September from 19:00 to 21:00 hours at the Sukosol Hotel. This event will provide participants further opportunity to network and relax. Dinner will be provided.

X. CONTACT

16. For further information and updates on the Session (as information becomes available), and travel logistics. For specific queries and individual concerns, contact the IPPC Secretariat at: ippc-secretary@fao.org

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